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City	28.8.83	MIN	MAX	Cloud
Amsterdam	11	10	22	81
Brussels	12	11	21	81
Birmingham	12	11	21	81
Chicago	21	20	32	80
Copenhagen	19	18	24	75
Frankfurt	17	16	26	80
Helsinki	18	17	26	77
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Johannesburg	27	26	32	80
London	14	13	22	81
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Munich	15	14	23	80
New York	20	19	27	81
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Sao Paulo	18	17	27	81
Stockholm	13	12	24	81
Tokyo	22	21	29	81
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### THE WEATHER

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Golan	44	16-29	30
Nahariya	38	19-31	32
Safed	37	17-27	27
Haifa Port	34	24-30	29
Tiberias	39	21-34	34
Nazareth	47	20-28	28
Afula	49	21-30	30
Shimon	50	21-30	30
Tel Aviv	67	22-30	29
A-G Airport	60	21-31	31
Jericho	35	20-36	35
Gaza	70	21-28	28
Beer Sheva	—	19-31	31
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### ARRIVALS

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Leamont Hunt, director-general of the Multi-National Force and Observers (MFO) poling the Sinai peninsula, from Egypt.	Egypt	10:30

### Zipori urges change in defence planning

Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori says he has disagreed with some aspects of government defence policy since the peace treaty with Egypt about where resources should be invested.

"Egypt was always the leader in any Arab aggression against Israel," he said in an interview on Kol Yisrael Friday. Now that Egypt is out of the action, that should affect our defence spending and planning," he said.

Specifically, on Lebanon, he said he is in favour of Israel's departure as quickly as possible, though not fleeing.

"We will not establish a new order in Lebanon, and I doubt anyone else will either. Of course, we are unhappy when there is bloodshed anywhere in the world, but being unhappy is one thing — having our young men pay the price is another.

"Nobody should have any illusions that we will be rewarded if we stay longer at someone's request; we have to protect our own interests as we see them," he said.

### MALKA (Wilhelmina) FRAENKEL

widow of Abraham Halevi Fraenkel, passed away on the 17th of Elul.

The funeral took place, on the same day in Jerusalem.

Her Children:  
Rachael Bloch, New York  
Benjamin S. Fraenkel, Jerusalem  
Tizra Cohen, Jerusalem  
Aviazy Fraenkel, Tel Aviv  
And their families.  
And the Prins, Sasson, Fraenkel, Levinger and Brauer families.

Shiva at Beit Hama'ot, Jerusalem.

We express our heartfelt sympathies to our father Saul C. Framowitz, our grandfather Reb Nahman Zeide and uncle Harsh Leib upon the passing of our beloved grandmother

### CHAYA ROCHEL FRAMOWITZ

of Detroit, Michigan

who was brought to K'vura in Bnei Brak this past Friday. Shiva will be held at the Bery's home at 37 Sorotzkin St., apartment 7, Unadof, Jerusalem, until Thursday.

The Framowitz family

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Yoram Ettinger, Director, Media Department  
The Prime Minister's Office

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Nitzav Mikhah Eitan Ben Yehoshua, Head, Traffic Division, Israel Police

Monday, September 12  
THE HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH HOLY DAY LITURGY AND ITS MODERN IMPLICATIONS  
Prof. Lee Levine, The Hebrew University

Monday, September 19  
WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE — Where? וַיִּשְׁאָל וַיֹּאמֶר וַיִּתֵּן  
Dr. Louis Katzoff

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Dr. Brian Knox-Pax, Department of Political Science, The Hebrew University

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## HOME NEWS

### Hijacker-soldier taken in shootout

BEERSHEBA (Itim). — Hundreds of policemen yesterday chased a gun-firing soldier as he hijacked a succession of cars in the northern Negev and bluffed his way through roadblocks by threatening to kill his driver-hostages. After a nearly three-hour chase, the soldier was captured in a final shootout that left him lightly wounded in the hand and leg.

At about noon, Ashkelon police observed a car that had been reported stolen from Beersheba being driven by a conscript soldier in uniform, accompanied by a 16-year-old boy. They signalled the soldier to stop, but he stepped on the gas and sped away.

The policemen gave chase, joined by other patrol cars from Lachish, Kiryat Malachi and Kiryat Gat, as well as by police units from the Lachish district headquarters.

At Giv'at junction near Sderot, the two fugitives abandoned their stolen white Renault 5 and fled on foot. Shots were exchanged and the 16-year-old boy was wounded in the leg and taken into custody.

But the soldier ran to nearby Moshav Kochav, where he surprised an off-duty soldier sitting in a brown Pontiac. Jumping into the car the fugitive soldier pointed his Galil assault rifle at the driver's head and ordered him to drive to Netivot.

In the meantime, Beersheba police, together with Civil Guard

and Border Police units, joined the pursuit, setting up roadblocks along the expected route of the hijacked car.

Arriving at a roadblock at Gilat junction, near Ofakim, the hijacker warned police that he would shoot the captive driver if they did not let him pass.

The roadblock commander let the Pontiac through — but followed after it in a police car at a distance of some 200 metres. The hijacker soon noticed the pursuing car and ordered his driver to stop.

When the soldier got out and began firing his rifle into the air, his victim took advantage of the opportunity to escape and sped away.

Undaunted, the soldier flagged down a white Audi at gun point, got into the rear seat and — pointing his rifle at his new driver's head — ordered him to drive to Beersheba.

Halted at a roadblock on the outskirts of Beersheba, the hijacker again warned police that he would kill his hostage unless they let him through. The barrier unit let him pass — then joined the growing force of police units in the chase.

With dozens of police cars behind it, the hijacked Audi raced through the streets of Beersheba, speeding by the Omer neighbourhood, Tel Shokat and the Arad-Hebron junction.

About one kilometre past the junction on the road to Hebron, the hijacked driver lost control on a

sharp curve and ran into a guardrail. The soldier jumped out of the disabled car and immediately tried to force other drivers to stop by firing into the air.

When no one would stop, the soldier began running toward the nearby Nahal outpost of Tene. His pursuers followed him on foot for four kilometres through the foothills to the outpost.

Reaching Tene first, the fugitive soldier tried to take away the weapon of a startled settlement guard, who managed to fend him off and run away. The fugitive took an empty canteen, filled it with water and kept firing in the air in the direction of his pursuers.

By now, a police helicopter was overhead, bringing members of the elite anti-terrorist unit. Before it could land, however, Sgan-Nitzav Yosef Zecharia of the Beersheba police called for the soldier to surrender.

When the soldier continued to fire a number of shots in the air, Zecharia gave the order to wound him. The police officers fired and, at 2:30 p.m., wounded slightly in the hand and leg, the soldier was captured.

He was taken to Beersheba's Soroka Hospital, where he is being kept under heavy guard. Police have not yet released any information from his interrogation, including the reason for his escape.



Prospective buyers meet sellers on Jerusalem's Ben-Yehuda Street pedestrian mall, during the annual pre-school sale of used textbooks. (Werner Braun)

### Israel bids Doe farewell

Jerusalem Post Staff  
Israel said goodbye to Liberian President Samuel Doe on Friday with a 21-gun salute and an escort of two Kfir fighter planes from the Israel Air Force which accompanied the Liberian presidential plane from Ben-Gurion Airport out of Israel air space. Doe flew home wearing the uniform of a five-star general of the Liberian armed forces, of which he is commander-in-chief.

Doe said goodbye to President Chaim Herzog at the entrance to his plane, at the end of an official ceremony where both Doe and Herzog spoke. Also present were Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Economics Coordination Minister Ya'acov Meridor, Trade and Industry Minister Gideon Patt and Knesset Speaker Menahem Savidor. U.S. Ambassador to Israel Samuel Lewis represented the diplomatic corps, and a number of other public figures attended. Doe reviewed a parade of IDF forces and an IDF band played the Liberian National Anthem.

"Other African countries that establish relations with Israel can expect the same kind of aid being offered to Liberia, subject to each country's needs and our own capabilities," Shamir said on Kol Yisrael yesterday. He said that this aid will not be affected by the country's economic problems and budget cuts for the simple reason that what we have to offer is our experience and professional expertise.

Shamir denied that "Israel has military advisers in Chad, and said we prefer to help with social pro-

jects and economic programmes than with military aid. At the same time, in answer to a question about whether Israel will help African friends fight Libyan subversion, Shamir said Israel is ready to help African friends protect their security against aggressors.

He said he hopes it will soon be the norm for most if not all African countries with which Israel previously had relations to have ties again. "Liberia thought about it two years ago," he said. "In fact, I met with the Liberian foreign minister in New York two years ago, but it sometimes takes time until a decision like this is finally made."

He said he does not think Israel's relations with South Africa should stand in the way of good relations with black African countries. European countries have good relations with South Africa, he pointed out, and also maintain good relations with other African states, so why should Israel be any different. "Besides," he said, "you know we have an important Jewish community in South Africa, and that in itself is sufficient reason for us to have good relations with South Africa. I think those who say our relations with South Africa are an impediment are simply looking for an excuse."

Asked (in the wake of Doe's appearance before a USA mission while visiting Israel) if Israel will help lobby for Liberian interests in the U.S., the foreign minister said Liberia knows Israel has good contacts in the U.S. and thinks, perhaps rightly, that those contacts will help Liberia.

### Cabinet like a ship without captain—Uzan

By LEA LEVAVI  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
Labour and Social Affairs Minister Aaron Uzan said that if he had been the finance minister, he would have resigned after last Sunday's cabinet meeting. Uzan was interviewed on Israel television and Galiel Zahal Friday evening.

"Except for the tax on cheques accounts, and VAT on fruits and vegetables, the Cabinet discussion did not focus on any one subject," he said. "It was like a ship without a captain and the most frightening part was that for three hours Treasury officials went from one minister to another trying to convince him to agree to cuts."

"The problem was not what to decide, since there was a formal proposal from the Finance Ministry, but how to decide. The defence minister, for instance, objected to the 1 per cent cut which was supposed to have been across-the-board. When Finance Minister Yoram Aridor finally gave in to him,

I asked why I should not be exempt from the 1 per cent, too. After all, I have an agreement with him just as Defence Minister Moshe Arens does, and I am responsible for the elderly, lame and blind. Aridor said I was right, too."

Uzan said the cabinet decisions as publicized on Tuesday were not entirely accurate. The maternity grant, for instance, had not been eliminated, he claimed.

Aridor said the decisions were publicized by the cabinet secretariat, and that he delayed his press conference until they were published. "While the cut in the defence budget was the foundation of the building I was trying to build, taxes were the third or fourth floor. Maybe the building did not come out exactly as I had planned, but it does exist, and on a strong foundation. Whoever the media talk about the possibility of my resigning, I get dozens of phone calls at home from people pleading with me not to do it and to stay on," Aridor said.

Deputy Prime Minister David Levy said the prime minister, who had worked hard to settle the conflicts which arose within the cabinet, had not intended to favour one group over another, but that the results look as if one group (the Liberals) were given their way.

He said all members of the cabinet should have been guided by the same considerations which dictated the decisions reached by the Ministerial Economic Committee and should not have let a situation arise in which all was almost lost.

"It is natural that there be difficulties when different world views clash," he said, "but the fact is that all the ideologies represented in the cabinet are also represented in the Ministerial Economic Committee. One party's representative (again, he was referring to the Liberals though he did not mention them by name) refused to accept what its own representative in the committee had endorsed," Levy said.

### Six youths assault, rob Y'men shopkeeper

The owner of a jewelry store in Jerusalem's Old City was attacked and robbed Friday night by six youths, who wounded him in the head, robbed him of \$1,500 and damaged his store.

Armed with knives, the six broke into the Casanova Street shop at about 9:30 p.m. by smashing through the display window. Neighbours refrained from intervening when the youths threatened them.

Police have arrested one suspect, a youth from Beit Hanina, whom the store owner identified as one of his assailants. (Itim)

### 12 killed in road mishaps

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ  
Jerusalem Post Reporter  
and Itim  
Three people were killed in traffic mishaps on Friday, including two in a van-bus collision on the Rosh Pina-Kiryat Shmona road and one in an accident on the Acre-Nahariya road.

The van driver, Avraham Kashan of Kiryat Shmona, and a passenger Yehzekel Hugi, of Moshav Margalit, were killed. Van passenger Yehuda Katan of Kiryat Shmona was seriously injured.

Eli Arush of Tiberias, the bus driver, and Dina Levy of Tiberias, a bus passenger, were moderately injured.

All the injured were taken by Magen David Adom ambulances to the Safad hospital.

The Rosh Pina-Kiryat Shmona road is considered one of the most dangerous in the country. The Public Works Department has recently begun widening it, but only for a length of seven kilometres

south of Kiryat Shmona, reportedly for lack of money.

Rachel Goldenberg, 55, of Tel Aviv, was killed Friday night when her Volkswagen was struck by another vehicle on the Acre-Nahariya road near Shavei Zion. The victim was taken to the Nahariya government hospital where she was declared dead on arrival.

The second vehicle left the scene, and police are requesting that anyone who saw the accident report to them.

In another accident also on Friday night five residents of Nazareth were slightly injured when two vehicles collided near the Lohamei Hageta'ot junction, in Acre.

Altogether last week, 12 persons were killed, 74 were severely injured and 133 suffered less serious injuries in 137 traffic accidents.

Among those killed, six were pedestrians including four children. Among the injured were 43 pedestrians, including 26 children

### Dead or alive? asks father of boy missing one year

"Dead or Alive?" read the sign on the back of Yerahmiel Strikovsky's car last Friday when he demonstrated at National Police Headquarters in Jerusalem. It was the first anniversary of the disappearance of his 13-year-old son, David, who was last seen on his way to the beach in Bat Yam.

Strikovsky said he felt the most appropriate place for him to be on the anniversary was opposite police headquarters. Although massive searches were mounted for the boy at the time of his disappearance, no trace has been found nor is there any explanation for his disappearance.

Strikovsky said he recently spoke to the Tel Aviv district police commander, Nitzav Avraham Turgeeman, who said that he believes that the boy must have drowned.

"If so, where is his body?" asked the father.

Although Strikovsky admits the police have done a great deal in searching for his missing son, he feels it is not enough. Because there are five instances of missing children in the Bat Yam-Holon area, Strikovsky maintained that the police should set up a special department to search for missing persons.

Police spokesman Adi Golan said, however, that the police had expended vast amounts of manpower and time in searching for the boy, or for proof of his death. "We understand the grief and pain of his father," the spokesman said, "but there is simply no basis for blaming the police in this matter. We have done everything that we can do." (Itim)

There have been persistent reports in recent weeks of informal contacts between Cairo and Damascus. Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Al hinted at this in a Cairo magazine interview earlier this month.

In Damascus, an "authoritative" Syrian source denied reports that Assad had asked McFarlane to arrange a reconciliation meeting, state television said yesterday.

Assad asked McFarlane to help arrange such a meeting, the weekly said, and the envoy replied: "I am ready, on condition you sign an agreement with Israel."

October quoted Assad as telling McFarlane: "You work for Israel. I will find another way to meet Mubarak."

### Boy, 7, murdered in Jaffa

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN  
TEL AVIV. — A seven-year-old Jaffa boy was murdered on Friday evening, apparently by teenage acquaintances of his brothers.

At 8 p.m. Friday police began searching for the boy in Jaffa after being informed by his family that he had been missing for two hours. While the search was in progress, the boy's sister called police saying she found her brother's body in a

deserted building in Jaffa's Givat Aliya market.

The boy had been beaten on the head with a blunt instrument.

An hour later the police team investigating the murder arrested two local residents aged 18 and 13, who had been seen with the victim before his death.

It has been learned that the younger suspect has confessed that he had murdered the boy following a quarrel with the victim's brothers. The suspect allegedly said he had murdered the boy to avenge his "lost honour."

Among those killed, six were pedestrians including four children. Among the injured were 43 pedestrians, including 26 children

### 100,000 visitors at TA Youth Capital

TEL AVIV (Itim). — About 100,000 people visited the Tel Aviv Youth Capital in the fairgrounds last week, police reported yesterday. About 30,000 young people are taking part in sports and field competitions, entertainment events and science and technical exhibits.

With deep sorrow, we announce the death of our beloved

### CHAIM GOTTLIEB

The funeral will leave from 14 Klausner Street, Ra'anana, at 2.45 p.m. today, Sunday, August 28, 1983, for the New Cemetery, Kfar Nachman, Ra'anana.

Wife — Sadia Gottlieb  
Daughters — Yael and Shlomo Sharan, Ramat Aviv  
Aviva and Jack Davidson, New York  
Grandchildren — David, Nomi, Adam and Eben  
Brother — Henry and Doreen Gottlieb, Johannesburg

The World Jewish Congress  
mourns the death of

### ALEX L. EASTERMAN

Director, for many years of its International Affairs Department, London, and extends condolences to the family.

The Israel Bond Organization  
mourns the passing of

### KATHARINE S. FALK

a leader of the Bond campaign from its inception and extends condolences to all the family.

Sam Rothberg General Chairman  
Yehudah Halevy President

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem  
Faculty of Medicine  
Israel Medical Association  
Shaare Zedek Medical Centre

### MEMORIAL MEETING

on the thirtieth day after the passing of

### Prof. LEO WISLICKI

Tuesday, August 30, at 5 p.m.  
at the Jerusalem Academy of Medicine  
72 Hanavi'im Street, corner Straus St.  
(following setting of the tombstone at 4 p.m. at Sanhadria Cemetery)

With deep sorrow we announce the passing of our dear

### AGI OPPENHEIM

nee LOEWENTHAL

The funeral will take place today, Sunday, August 28, 1983 at 4 p.m. at Kibbutz Afikim. A bus will leave at 2.30 p.m. from 48 Rehov Disraeli, Haifa.

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Harry, Hanna and Michal Oppenheim



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# HOME NEWS

NEWS ANALYSIS/Charles Hoffman

## Pressure groups escape welfare cuts

The dispute raging in the government coalition over whether the "poor" or the "rich" are going to be hurt most by the recently adopted economic measures and budget cuts has obscured a severe imbalance in the burden imposed on the social services.

The powerful organized groups of social service professionals, who are neither rich nor poor, have succeeded, or are likely to succeed, in staving off attacks on their salaries, leaving the Treasury's budgetary axe to fall on the weaker, unorganized and needy elements of the population which they serve.

A good portion of money being cut out of the budget now will not be kept out of circulation. It will be put back for other uses, such as the development of the Lavi war-plane and to pay the salary increases agreed upon over the past year for the teachers, university professors and the doctors.

The wage bill for these groups comes to about IS10 billion, but this does not include additional possible raises for X-ray technicians and

nurses, whose appetites were whetted by their colleagues' success.

These pay rises were won by the professionals squeezing the government into a corner, so that it had no choice but to pay up. And it is a safe bet that these achievements could be defended by similar means, if the government sought to revoke now what it so grudgingly granted several months ago.

But cuts must be made somewhere, and as far as the Treasury is concerned the social service budgets are not exempt. Even Minister of Labour and Social Affairs Aharon Uzan (Tami) was willing to go along with this notion as long as the cuts affected the higher income groups more than the lower income groups.

The package of measures adopted at last Sunday's confused cabinet session clearly upset this principle, which had been more or less accepted by the Treasury in a deal worked out with Uzan.

The cuts in National Insurance old age pensions affect mainly those at the bottom of the income scale,

with them, and will try to cut elsewhere.

That means cuts in programmes that help the disadvantaged through remedial classes and facilities, psychological counselling, youth workers, community centres, and in the last resort, truant officers. These areas have been hit by cuts in recent years, and more may lie ahead.

The Health Ministry has also cut services for the underprivileged by eliminating household help for the infirm elderly who are unable to do their daily chores or feed and clean themselves properly, and by reducing programmes for Project Renewal.

Looking at the victims of these cuts that have either been agreed upon or are still under discussion, we see that what they have in common is that they are weak, unorganized, dispersed throughout society and lack a central spokesman to defend their interests. They have no way to pressure the government when services so essential to their well-being are threatened.

The extent of the cut in the Education Ministry budget has not yet been determined. If Education Minister Zevulun Hammer is forced to accept a bigger cut than he is willing to absorb at present, then he will have some hard choices to make. Cuts above the IS1b. level would involve either reducing teaching hours or cutting back special programmes for the disadvantaged and supplementary educational activities.

The teachers unions have firmly asserted that they will not accept cuts in teaching hours, which would mean firing teachers. Backing up their position is the power of an organized interest group that has shown in the past that it can use its muscle when it has a mind to. Hammer will probably not want to tangle

## Meridor's efficiency ideas lie dormant in budget debate

By CHARLES HOFFMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Anyone waiting for Economic Coordination Minister Ya'acov Meridor to make a significant contribution to the current cabinet discussions on budget cuts is likely to be disappointed.

The director-general of Meridor's ministry, Sammy Friedlich, told *The Jerusalem Post* on Friday that the proposals to increase government efficiency that have been prepared by his staff are "too complex to be taken up in the rushed atmosphere of the present debate."

"The budgetary process is the responsibility of the Treasury, and the cuts to be made are supposed to be worked out between the Treasury and each ministry," Friedlich said. "After the amount of the cuts are decided on, we can suggest to each ministry ways to increase efficiency and cut expenses. Our proposals are not brought directly to the cabinet table for

discussion."

When attention was drawn earlier this month to Meridor's absence from the country during the first phase of the budget cut discussions, his aides said then that his contribution would be felt upon his return, which was two weeks ago.

Friedlich said that some of the proposals worked out by Meridor's staff require interministerial coordination, and thus can't be raised in the cabinet or in the Ministerial Economic Committee at present. An example would be joint collection of fees by several ministries.

He said that Meridor has made some suggestions about alternative sources of financing government projects, such as his proposal that the Lavi jet fighter be funded in part by private investors. He added that the economic planning unit in Meridor's office had prepared expert opinions on certain issues in the current debate, such as the tax on chequeing accounts, but these had not been accepted.

## Jailhouse wedding for Haifa escapee

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Runaway prisoner Avi Elkayom was truly "hooked" last week when he was married at the Kishon lock-up near here under the watchful eyes of prison guards.

After the wedding Elkayom, aged 23 from Tirat Carmel, was returned to his cell while his bride and the other guests went to their homes in the Tirat Carmel area.

Elkayom, a convicted burglar,

last month failed to return to the Beersheba prison after a 72-hour leave. He was captured in the Tirat Carmel area on August 9 and is suspected of having committed a further burglary in Haifa during his freedom.

Elkayom applied for permission to get married, but in view of his past record it was decided that the ceremony would have to take place inside the Kishon lock-up.

## Single immigrants ask help with housing

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Single immigrants from western countries decided last week to demand improved government mortgage conditions for unmarried immigrants, the construction of hostels for singles and the construction of long-term rental apartments.

The meeting, sponsored by the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, was organized by Ira Cohen, assistant director of the AACI's Jerusalem region. He noted that single immigrants are in a weaker position than their Israeli counterparts because they usually

come without their families and lack parental support, whether financial or emotional.

Participants heard that unmarried immigrants constitute 35 to 50 per cent of all western aliya at present, and that the authorities, as well as building contractors, are indifferent to their needs.

A committee established to promote housing for singles will collect data, through surveys and research, to determine housing conditions for singles. The findings will be presented to Jewish Agency and Absorption Ministry officials.

## Grande Dame of Italian theatre visits Haifa

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Paola Borboni, the grand old lady of Italian theatre, famous for her interpretations of the plays of Luigi Pirandello, spent an effervescent day in Haifa this past week and vowed "next year in Jerusalem."

Accompanied by four of her pupils, two of them radiant Italian beauties, the 83-year-old actress, who has not stopped playing since she was 16, now uses crutches. This is the result of the road accident which ended her six-year marriage to a man who was killed.

Like an old trouper, she shrugged them off. "Now I suit my parts to my appearance," she told *The Jerusalem Post* in an exclusive interview at the Italian Cultural Centre.

The group was here for a day as part of a Mediterranean cruise on board the Italian liner *Frederico C.*

Asked whether she was influen-

ced by her years of playing the pessimistic Pirandello, she said "on the contrary, I was influenced by his wisdom but his humour overcomes his pessimism." Pirandello, author of such plays as *Six Characters in Search of an Author*, won the Nobel Literature prize, in 1934 two years before his death.

Borboni, who established a theatre group exclusively for his plays, has won every important Italian prize and still appears on stage, screen and TV. But she and her pupils know all about Israeli theatre, "especially Habima."

Eleven years ago, when she was 72, she caused an uproar in Italy, when she married 30-year-old poet Bruno Vilar. Asked about the marriage, she said she had accepted his proposal because she feared a refusal might make him try to kill himself, as he had already made two suicide attempts.

Now her one unfulfilled wish is to



Paola Borboni.

## Israel Philharmonic on European tour

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra arrived in Luxembourg on Friday, the third stop of its 20-concert European tour. The orchestra performed last Wednesday in Salzburg, the city of the International Music Festival, in a concert which took place one hour after the orchestra landed after a 13-hour flight from Venezuela.

Tickets for all performances of the Israel Philharmonic — some 172,000 tickets — were sold out last March.

The performance last Thursday, in Munich was attended by the Bavarian prime minister, Franz Josef Strauss. (Itim)

NUCLEAR POWER. — Nuclear power plants will be able to generate nearly a quarter of the world's electricity by the end of the century, more than double their existing share.

## 6th Fleet visitors report Soviet spy ship

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A Russian spy ship, operating "five to six miles off the Haifa coast" was sighted by the flag-ship of the U.S. Sixth Fleet, USS Puget Sound, when it approached Haifa on Thursday, the ship's commander, Captain John Dachs, told *The Jerusalem Post*.

The Soviet ship was a large trawler, he said, "but all the electronic gear it was carrying made it clear that it was an intelligence gathering ship." Dachs' ship took photographs of the Soviet vessel, but otherwise ignored it.

Dachs, and the commanders of the other three Sixth Fleet ships here for a 13-day visit, paid courtesy calls on Mayor Arye Gurel at the municipality on Friday, and exchanged mementos, plaques of their

ships, and medallions of Haifa with him.

Captain Joseph King, commander of the nuclear guided missile cruiser, Virginia, also gave the mayor a miniature sack of Virginia peanuts. Commanders Hugh Carroll of the guided missile frigate USS Jack Williams and Arthur Drennan of the frigate USS Bowen were accompanied by the U.S. assistant naval attaché Commander Ronald Wilcox.

The ships arrived in Haifa after 20 days off Beirut, backing up the U.S. Marines in the Multi-National Force.

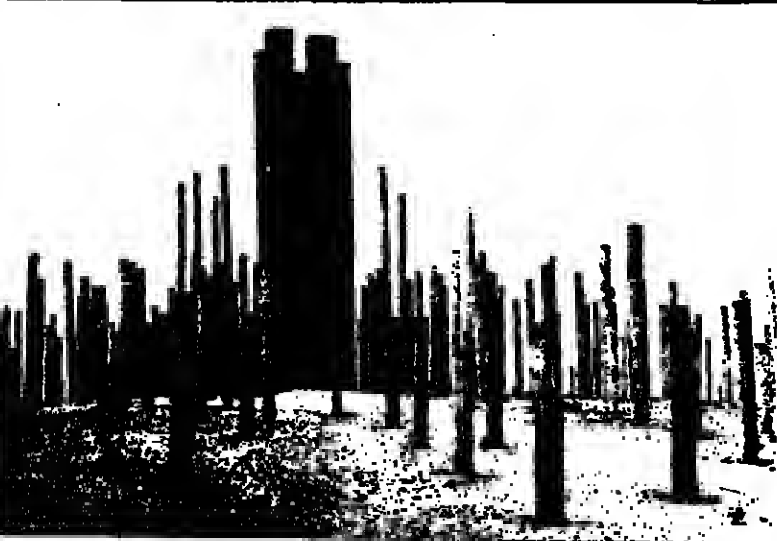
The Bowen came from Alexandria, where it had taken part, with the aircraft carrier USS Eisenhower, in the Bright Star joint exercises with Egyptian forces. The Bowen's commander said the Eisenhower was constantly trailed

by Soviet spy ships, which took turns shadowing her. The other two ships came from Italy.

During their visit, the Puget Sound, a destroyer tender, will do maintenance work on the other ships. The Puget Sound has a crew of 1,700 including 130 women, four of them officers, who do "almost all the jobs the men do."

Next month, two more ships of the Sixth Fleet will call at Haifa and Ashdod.

The official band of the Sixth Fleet, The Diplomats, will present concerts of rock, country and western music this week. The Diplomats will perform at 5 p.m. today at the Gerard Behar Community Centre in Jerusalem, tomorrow at 8 p.m. at Neve Oser, Tel Kabir, Tel Aviv, and on Tuesday at 8 p.m. in Kikar Kedumim, Jaffa.



Reconstructed monument to the "Steel Brigade." (Liora Moriel)

## Complaints about neglect of armoured brigade monument

By LIORA MORIEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HEVEL SHALOM. — The monument to the "Steel Brigade," which fought in the Sinai in the Six Day War, and which was originally built in the dunes of Yamit, has been reconstructed in the new Hevel Shalom area near the Egyptian border.

But the new monument, designed by Tel Aviv architect Israel Godowitch, is not complete, it is not easily accessible and there are no signs directing visitors to the site.

Last June 5, on the anniversary of the war, a memorial service for the fallen of the armoured brigade was held near the monument. Communications Minister Mordechai Zipori represented the government.

The bereaved parents were reportedly appalled by the condition of the site: the place was covered with birds' droppings, and there was no easily access to the plaques where the names of the fallen soldiers are inscribed.

Eliezer Ben-Zvi, head of the Eshkol Regional Council, which includes the Hevel Shalom area, sent a telegram to the prime minister and to the defence minister the following day but, nearly three months later, neither has replied. "I'm very much afraid that the tragedy will recur next year, when the families come to the memorial services again. Even the architect is angry," said Ben-Zvi.

Situated not far from the border, the monument lies in the sand, like a forgotten memorial to an age-old event. There is no road and there is no sign. There are also no stairs up to the turret.

"Nobody consulted us about putting up the monument where it is, and nobody has given us any budget to keep it presentable. Before the ceremony, we cleaned it up, but those responsible for its upkeep are those who moved it," said Ben-Zvi.

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Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i, on his return on Friday from a visit to Egypt, said that after his conversations with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak and with the Egyptian minister of energy, he "felt the possibility of a 'thaw' in the cold peace between Egypt and Israel."

Moda'i declined to go into details concerning his conversations until after he reports to Prime Minister

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## Plenty of fish for the High Holydays

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The fish breeders have a plentiful supply of every type of pond fish ready for the High Holydays. "Our only request to consumers is buy lots of fish," their union secretary Amnon Levin said last week.

He noted that live carp, a Rosh Hashana staple, will be sold at the present retail price of IS155 per kilo.

The other pond fish are not controlled and the breeders are supplying them to the wholesalers at IS250 to 300 per kilo for grey mullet and IS150 to 180 per kilo for St. Peter's fish. There is also a supply of the higher-priced Dan stream trout, being wholesaled at IS400 to IS420 per kilo.

The union's Dag Shean processing plant is supplying large quantities of processed frozen fish, including ready-to-eat gefilte fish, he said.

## Conveyor belt fire extinguished at airport

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — A luggage conveyor belt adjacent to the terminal building here caught fire on Friday afternoon, and because of the black smoke filtering into the customs and main entrance hall, police cleared the area of all people for half an hour.

Firemen as far away as Bnei Brak put out the blaze within 20 minutes, according to the airport's manager Israel Hod.


## Ministry to beef up security for schools

About 10,000 teachers are to receive weapons training during the coming school year and hundreds of them are to be responsible for security in their schools, the Ministry of Education announced on Friday.

Eleventh graders in some 40 boarding schools are also to receive weapons training and about 2,000 schools are to participate in alert and evacuation exercises.

## CORRECTION

The memorial assembly for Martin Luther King to be held today in the Luther King Forest at the Golan Junction in Galilee will not be a religious service, as it was incorrectly described in a headline in Friday's *Jerusalem Post*.



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		74,140	84,111
532,395	618,189	632,395	618,189

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206,155	221,920
(8,748)	(118,888)
32,788	35,032
14,854	12,225

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331	1491
438	268
788	315

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4,981	7,075
4,770	7,502
1211	427
439	1,889

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## U.S. praises French action in Chad

PARIS (Reuters). — U.S. Embassy officials in Paris yesterday praised French actions in Chad as courageous and played down recent differences between Paris and Washington over their military aid to the central African country.

The comments, which coincided with a two-day visit to N'Djamena by French Defence Minister Charles Herru, followed reports by informed military sources in Paris that France was bolstering its deterrent force in Chad with new weapons.

"We have great admiration for President (François) Mitterrand's decision to send soldiers to Chad. We find that very courageous," U.S. charge d'affaires John Maresca said in an interview with the newspaper *Liberation*.

Embassy officials, stressing the independence of French actions in Chad, denied reports by diplomatic sources in Paris that Washington

was underwriting part of the high cost of the French operation to support President Hissene Habre.

"All U.S. assistance is going directly to the government of Chad," the officials told reporters.

France has sent up to 2,500 paratroops and 10 combat planes to its former colony, and military sources in Paris said Friday an airlift of Puma and Gazelle helicopters, 20mm. cannon, anti-tank missiles, jeeps and trucks had begun.

Eight Jaguar ground attack planes and four Mirage fighters are also on alert in France to fly to central Africa if the crisis deteriorates, they added.

Questioned about recent sparring between Paris and Washington over whether the French had been consulted prior to the dispatch of two U.S. AWACS radar planes to keep Chad territory under surveillance, Maresca glossed over the dispute.

"The essential is that both coun-

tries have understood the situation in the same way, i.e. that there is Libyan aggression, planes, tanks, regular Libyan troops who are attempting to occupy part of a neighbouring country," he told *Liberation*.

Political commentators said Washington had tempered its position on the French involvement in Chad, where Libyan-backed rebels are threatening Habre's government, following France's deployment of troops and material.

Meanwhile, the massive Libyan troop and tank movement, which Chad had said was headed toward French army positions along the 15th parallel, has halted, Chad's Information Minister Soumaila Mahamat said yesterday.

Soumaila said the Libyans stopped their advance "purely for logistic reasons" and were expected to resume it as soon as they had replenished their supplies.

## ANC planted mine in tribal consulate

JOHANNESBURG (AP). — The outlawed African National Congress claimed responsibility yesterday for a bomb attack against a tribal homeland office in a 50-storey office building in Johannesburg on Friday night.

Police said the blast, caused by a limpet mine, slightly injured one black man and caused extensive damage.

The target was the consulate of the Ciskei homeland, one of four homelands declared independent by Pretoria but not recognized abroad. Militants reject the white-minority government's policy of giving blacks citizenship rights only in the homelands, calling them by their

former name, "Bantustans."

An ANC statement said a unit of its armed wing "carried out an attack in Johannesburg against the so-called consulate of the Ciskei Bantustan."

"The puppet administration of this Bantustan has for some time loudly trumpeted its determination to pursue a policy of repression at the bidding of its Pretoria masters," the ANC statement said, adding that the Ciskei government "has actually been involved in acts aimed at the brutal suppression of the democratic movement of our country."

"Our patience with these criminals is exhausted," it said.

The statement referred to the Ciskei government's frequent condemnation of the ANC and alleged harassment of anti-government activists in the Ciskei.

Maj. Gen. Francois Steenkamp, head of the South African security police, told reporters the mine and a timing device were placed in a wastebasket at the door to the consulate.

One black man was slightly injured by flying glass from the explosion, which occurred two hours after most of the more than 1,000 workers had left the Carlton office tower, the most exclusive in the city.

## Manila archbishop refuses to join probe

MANILA (AP). — Roman Catholic Cardinal Jaime Sin said yesterday he had turned down an offer from a "begging" President Ferdinand Marcos to join a special fact-finding commission probing the slaying of Marcos' political rival Benigno Aquino Jr.

The archbishop of Manila, a frequent critic of Marcos' human rights policies, said he had written Marcos a letter formally declining the invitation on grounds that church business in Rome would prevent his participation in the Aquino probe.

A spokesman for Marcos' Malacanang Palace announced earlier in the day that the president had invited Sin to join the panel of senior jurists charged with investigating Aquino's murder and that the cardinal had accepted.

However, sources close to Sin disputed the government statement. One church source said the prelate felt the commission had been loaded with Marcos allies and that he would be "a voice in the wilderness."

Meanwhile, a week after Aquino was shot to death as he returned from voluntary exile in the U.S., military investigators appeared no closer to solving the riddle of who pulled the trigger and why.

A man soldiers killed at Manila Airport, seconds after authorities said he shot Aquino at close range with a .357 Magnum handgun, has

been identified only as "Rolly," the nickname stitched into his underwear.

Marcos has called the alleged assassin a "subversive" and a "professional killer." But so far, no compelling theories have been presented to explain how he slipped, disguised as an airport maintenance worker, past extremely tight airport security, or why he was hastily gunned down instead of captured alive.

Clues to the assassin's motive, his possible sponsors and political allegiances remain as murky as the confusing events of last Sunday's assassination.

Marcos and other officials have vehemently denied opposition charges of government complicity in the incident.

Yesterday, as more than half a million people turned out to view the hearse carrying Aquino's embalmed but disfigured body in his home province of Tarlac, a Manila newspaper claimed a cousin of the dead assassin had come forward to claim the body of Rolly.

The *Philippines Daily Express*, quoting "military sources," said the unidentified cousin had identified the alleged assassin as Rolando Vizcarra. It gave no further details. It was the same name that appeared a day earlier in a Japanese news service story.

The Japanese report said Rolando Vizcarra was a sergeant in

the Manila police force known for "violent habits" such as firing his carbine into the air when intoxicated. The information, it said, came from sources in the Philippine air force.

Other speculation that the dead man had ties to the military has sparked complaints by opposition leaders and Aquino family members that military investigators were more likely to conduct a coverup than a fair probe.

To allay such criticism, Marcos appointed a fact-finding commission of distinguished retired justices, headed by incumbent Supreme Court Chief Justice Enrique Fernando, to conduct a separate — but not independent — inquiry.

Aquino's widow, Corason, expressed doubts about the impartiality of the commission, saying "all the members are Marcos men."

**WEAPONS FAST.** — Former U.S. weapons designer Thomas Siemer began his third week of fasting in Rome yesterday to dramatize his appeal to the pope to declare possession of nuclear weapons immoral. He says he will continue to reject food until the pontiff condemns the manufacture and deployment of nuclear weapons or grants him an audience to discuss the issue.

## Klarsfeld: French used ex-Gestapo chief as agent

PARIS (Reuters). — The French intelligence services used a former Gestapo chief as an agent in the months following World War II, Nazi-hunter Serge Klarsfeld said yesterday.

Klarsfeld, a Paris-based lawyer who with his wife Beate specializes in tracking down Nazi war criminals, said in an article in Thursday's *Le Monde* that the DST (Direction de la Surveillance du Territoire) had used Ernst Misselwitz, a senior Gestapo officer in Paris, as an agent after the war.

Klarsfeld told Reuters he did not know if Misselwitz, who tortured resistance leader Pierre Brossolette and was later sentenced to five years in prison in absentia, was still alive.

"I don't know where he is now, or if he is alive. After publishing these details it is unlikely that we will ever find him," he said.

He said he had based his article on a text from DST records as well as Justice Department archives.

The U.S. recently apologized to France after a domestic inquiry found that another Gestapo chief, "Butcher of Lyons" Klaus Barbie, had worked for U.S. Army Intelligence from 1947 to 1950 despite the fact he was wanted in France.

Klarsfeld said he had not discovered how long Misselwitz had worked for the DST or under what conditions. But he said the French intelligence officers who had been directly connected with Misselwitz's case knew of his background.

Klarsfeld said Misselwitz and another Gestapo officer, Robert Krekeller, were accused of torturing Brossolette in March, 1944 in

Paris. Brossolette refused to give information and jumped to his death from a window, he said.

Klarsfeld said that Krekeller was later found not guilty of torture, adding: "Misselwitz, probably benefiting from the protection of the services who used him, was sentenced by default to five years' jail in absentia."

He said the documents proved Misselwitz, who had contacted several French intelligence officers in occupied Germany after the war, started working for the DST there as an agent.

He quoted the DST documents as saying: "Misselwitz is a valuable man, who, in contact with other witnesses to be found in Paris, can reveal important facts about interrogations, the conditions under which arrests were made, and allow the arrest of informers."

## Peron to return to Argentina

MADRID (Reuters). — Former Argentine president Maria Estela Martinez de Peron has confirmed she will return to Argentina from exile in Spain on September 3, sources close to her said yesterday.

This confirmation came in a telegram sent Friday to Buenos Aires by her close aide and head of her personal bodyguard, Milos Vogetic, to Herminio Iglesias, candidate for this governorship of the city, the sources said.

The former president is expected to preside over the Peronist Party's national congress convened for September 3 and 4 which will nominate a candidate for the October 30 elections, the sources said.

The Peronists — Argentina's largest political force — will be challenging the centre-right Radical Party for control of the next civilian government after almost eight years of military rule.

Peron is not expected to make a second bid for the presidency, but Peronist sources in Argentina say her support for the Peronist candidate will be crucial to his success.

The 53-year-old widow of the Peronist movement's founder, Juan Domingo Peron, has been absent from Argentine politics since her overthrow by a military coup in 1976.

## Polish press prints Walesa speech

WARSAW (AP). — Polish newspapers yesterday reprinted a critical speech last week by Lech Walesa, the first time the state-run press has carried the text of a statement by the Solidarity chairman since the declaration of martial law in December 1981.

Walesa delivered the speech during a stormy confrontation Thursday at the Lenin shipyard in Gdansk with Deputy Premier Mieczyslaw Rakowski, who repeated the government's refusal to negotiate with Walesa.

Publication of the remarks, which reiterated previous policy statements, was puzzling because the state-run media have been waging a

campaign against Walesa, accusing him of amassing a fortune in the West and siding with the U.S. against Poland.

Asked about the publication of Walesa's remarks, deputy government spokesman Andrzej Konopacki said, "I would not attach any importance to this. Walesa was there (at the meeting). He stood up and took the floor for some minutes. So I think it is only fair to publish it," Konopacki said.

The publication appeared to be part of a government effort to reduce tension in the days leading up to the third anniversary on Wednesday of the Gdansk accord which spawned Solidarity, the first

independent labour union in the Soviet bloc.

According to the national press report, Walesa said, "Three years ago we talked for the first — and so far the last — time as a Pole with a Pole." He used a phrase meaning that Poles can solve their problems without outside interference.

"We don't want to destroy socialism. We don't want to take over power. We don't want to undermine alliances," Walesa said in the published text.

"We want you to sit at the table with us and discuss mistakes (made by both sides)," Walesa was quoted saying. "We want to find solutions for the better future of our homeland."

## Kaunda dissolves Zambian assembly

LUSAKA (Reuters). — President Kenneth Kaunda of Zambia last night dissolved the national assembly shortly after he was elected sole presidential candidate for the ruling United National Independence Party (UNIP). The dissolution will pave the way for presidential and parliamentary elections, expected before the end of the year.

The UNIP general conference, which met in Mulungushi near Kabwe, also reshuffled the central committee of the party.

## 22 dead, 15 missing in Basque floods

BAYONNE, France (AP). — Flash floods raced through Basque mountain villages in France and Spain, killing at least 22 people and leaving 15 others missing, officials said yesterday.

Authorities feared the death toll would continue to climb as hundreds of rescue workers searched for victims of the region's worst flooding in 30 years.

About 15 camper-trailers at a French tourist camp near St. Jean de Luz were swept away by rain-swollen streams Friday night and officials were trying to determine if they were occupied.

Rescuers throughout the region were hindered by more fierce thunderstorms and poor visibility that kept search helicopters grounded.

The flooding began Friday as torrential rain forced evacuations, cut off electrical power and telephone communication and blocked roads and railroads to much of the region.

The Nervion River, running through the Spanish Basque capital of Bilbao, was up to 1.2 metres over its banks, sweeping over a dam and washing out two bridges as it carried away boats and cars. Police said 60 per cent of the city was without electricity.

**THE TALE** authorities tell involves bribes, escape from a Swiss prison, flight to France and disappearance. It is a tale with links to a murky international banking scandal and a super-secret Masonic lodge accused of a wide range of crimes from tax fraud to plotting subversion.

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The Swiss Supreme Court has approved Italy's request to extradite him on charges of fraud, fraudulent bankruptcy and slandering the authorities trying to track him down. The court, however, rejected extradition for trial on two charges it says are political — conspiring against the state and espionage.

Now, each day, Europe's press speculates anew where Gelli may be hiding — perhaps the South of France, or on a yacht anchored off Monte Carlo, a monastery in Spain or perhaps in South America — Argentina, Brazil or Paraguay.

Wherever Gelli is, Italian officials are certain he has a lot of help and millions of dollars behind him.

**BEFORE** breaking out of prison, Gelli had already become the central figure in Italy's biggest postwar scandal, with a reach reportedly stretching from the

Vatican to South America.

Gelli is a one-time mattress salesman who fought with Italian Fascists for Franco in the Spanish Civil war. Before 1981, few Italians had heard of him.

But his name became a household word after police raided his lavish villa in Arezzo, near Florence, that year, and said they discovered lists of 933 prominent Italians, including politicians, generals, publishers and industrialists. The police said the prominent figures were listed as members of Propaganda Due, or P-2, a Masonic lodge so secret that only Gelli, its grand master, knew the identities of all members.

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The commission wants to know whether the lodge still has its tentacles in the Italian establishment, despite censures and forced resignations in the military and secret services.

The lodge has been linked to a wide variety of alleged wrongdoing, including tax evasion, bribery, and conspiracy to destroy Italy's constitutional government.

## Human rights suspended in 30 countries

GENEVA (AP). — More than 30 countries suspended basic human rights during 1982, Amnesty International said Friday at a UN sub-commission on human rights. The reported suspensions occurred in states of emergency or under similar circumstances.

"In a number of countries officially declared states of emergency, accompanied by restrictions of basic human rights, have now been in existence for 20 years or more," said Nigel Rodley, a lawyer with Amnesty International.

Since the introduction of a state of emergency in Syria in 1963 "thousands of Syrians have been arrested" under the state of

emergency law which provides the security services with wide powers of arrest," he said.

Amnesty International has received "numerous allegations of arbitrary arrests, detention without trial, torture, 'disappearances' and extrajudicial executions," Rodley said.

In the Sultanate of Brunei a state of emergency has existed for 21 years and authorities can issue a two-year detention order without any charge or trial, he said.

In Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay, a state of siege legislation has existed for 29 years under which prisoners may be held without charge or trial, Rodley said.

## Geneva on 'war footing' for Palestine conference

GENEVA (AP). — Swiss army tanks rolled into Geneva as security preparations for tomorrow's UN conference on Palestine reached a new intensity at the weekend.

"Geneva is on a war footing," headlined *La Suisse*.

The tanks and armoured personnel carriers are, with a 2,000-man Swiss regiment assigned to reinforce some 600 police and an undisclosed number of UN security officers during 10 days of "peace" talks.

Miles of barbed wire, sandbags and crowd-control gates lined the streets, creating a martial look never seen before here. Ten border crossing points have been closed.

So far, 95 of the UN's 157 member countries have officially advised they would attend the conference.

The U.S. and Israel have already let it be known that they will not attend and most West European countries are expected to follow suit.

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The lodge has been linked to a wide variety of alleged wrongdoing, including tax evasion, bribery, and conspiracy to destroy Italy's constitutional government.

**GELLI** was arrested on September 13 in Geneva in possession of an Argentinian passport, while allegedly trying to withdraw money from a blocked account holding between \$50 million and \$70 million. Authorities said the money had

been transferred to Switzerland from a South American branch of Banco Ambrosiano, once Italy's largest private bank, which has since collapsed. Roberto Calvi, president of Banco Ambrosiano, was found dead in London in June, 1982, his body mysteriously hanging from a bridge. His name had been on the list of P-2 members.

The Vatican Bank had a stake in Banco Ambrosiano, and an Italian-Vatican joint commission has been studying the Vatican Bank's possible liability in the private bank's collapse.

Gelli appears down-faced in his photographs, but those who know him describe him as a "magnetic personality" and as having a prodigious memory.

It was this "magnetic personality" that captivated 30-year-old Edouard Ceresa, the Swiss prison guard charged with helping Gelli escape, the guard's lawyer has told a Swiss court.

Ceresa, who is of Italian descent, was also admitted receiving about 20,000 Swiss Francs (\$340,000) from the Gelli family for his role in the escape, with Gelli courting his friendship as early as last December, when the guard found

an envelope in his letter-box with 3,000 Francs (\$381,000) addressed simply "Per la bimba" (for the little girl).

**ACCORDING** to the official Swiss version, Ceresa drove Gelli out through the main gate of the prison in his own car, crossed into France at a nearby checkpoint to the French village of Esbly, and there joined two other men waiting in a car rented by the guard. They then drove to Annecy, a lakeside resort about 40 km. (24 miles) from Geneva, where Gelli boarded a helicopter and continued his flight.

Italian press reports say the helicopter took Gelli to Monte Carlo, but his tracks were lost after that.

Swiss State Prosecutor Raymond Foa said Ceresa was only a "small wheel" in a scheme to get Gelli out, and that the Italian clearly had other accomplices.

Swiss authorities admit they were alerted by the Italians, but had been prepared for a spectacular breakthrough — not a more subtle attempt in which the grand master would simply leave through the main door.

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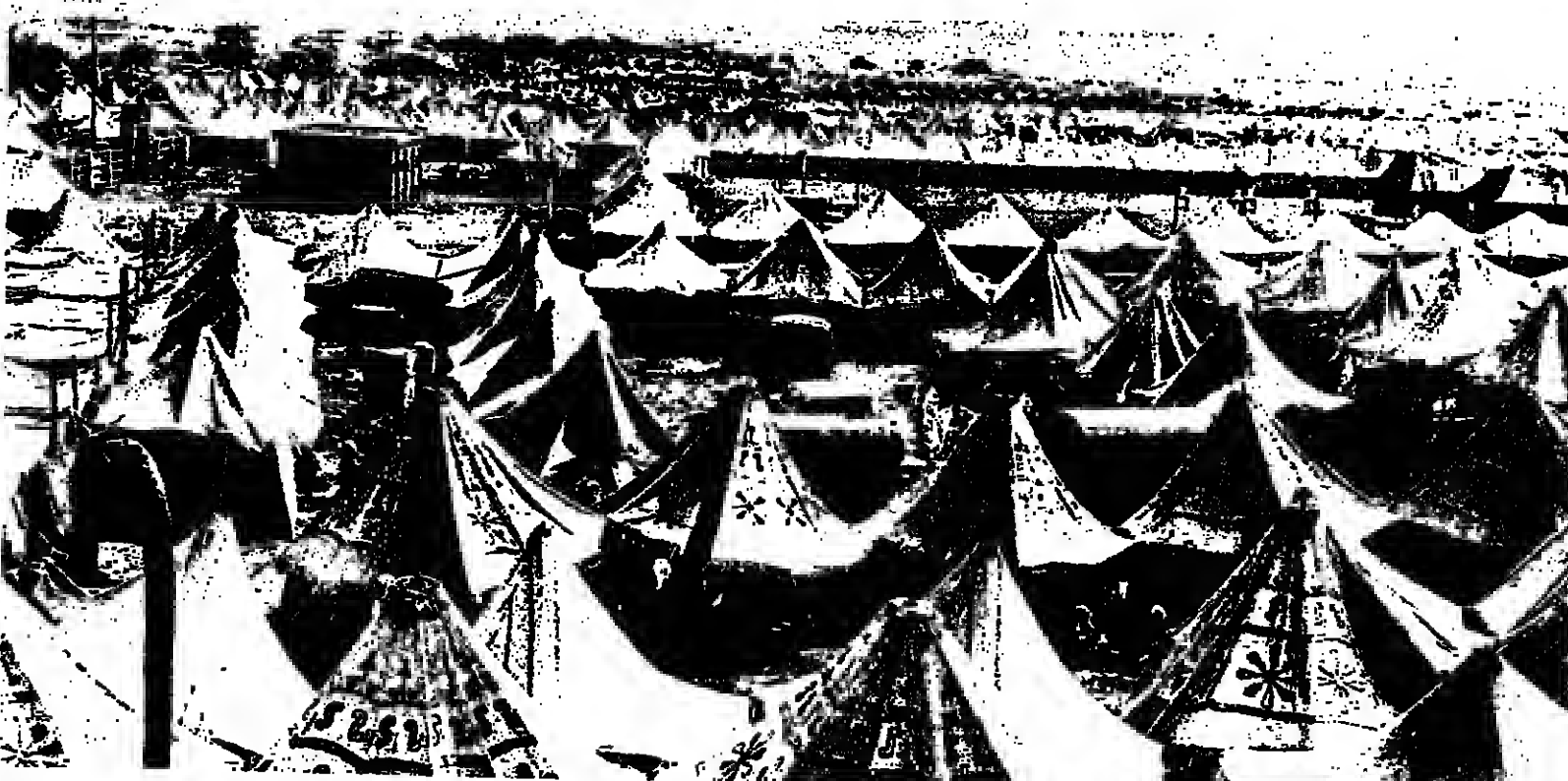
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City of tents on the barren Plain of Arafat outside Mecca, where the pilgrims live during their visit to the holy places of Islam.

(Camera Press)

## Two million pilgrims

By NICHOLAS MOORE / Jeddah

THE ANNUAL haj pilgrimage to Mecca, now beginning, is a period of anxiety for the Saudi Arabian royal family.

Between now and the end of the pilgrimage season in October the kingdom must accommodate around two million "guests of God" from throughout the Moslem world.

Foreign diplomats say the Saudis are proud of their role as guardians of Islam's holy places and are particularly anxious that the faithful should take home rewarding memories. The Saudis maintain that the pilgrimage should be a strictly religious occasion. But in past years Iranian supporters of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini have held demonstrations, chanting Khomeini's name and inviting police intervention. Many were expelled.

Prince Nayef has spoken of political and demographic acts by Iranian pilgrims, but has pledged to respond with prudence. The authorities deny that any restrictions have been placed on some 90,000 pilgrims expected from Iran. *Al-Yom*, a Saudi newspaper, accused Iran of a campaign of vilification to cast doubt on the kingdom's efforts in the service of pilgrims and said it could not be allowed to turn the pilgrimage into a time of political demonstration.

Diplomats say that Khomeini has appeared to question whether the Saudis should be entrusted with guardianship of the holy places. They say this is an added reason why the authorities here strive to see that pilgrims suffer minimum discomfort and are spared the disturbances and what the kingdom most fears — the outbreak of an epidemic.

haj to the Saudi state exchequer is difficult to compute, and much of the state outlay may find its way back into the profits of Saudi-based service and transport companies and the merchants of the Jeddah market place.

But the haj terminal at Jeddah's new airport, among the world's most spectacular buildings, is said to be run at an operating loss, with scant prospect of ever recouping its building cost — perhaps as much as 500 million dollars.

The wall-less structure consists of some 200 tent-like fibreglass canopies slung high overhead by steel cables from rows of concrete pylons. The conical canopies, coated with pure white self-cleaning teflon, reflect the sun's heat. The design, with vents at the apex, draws

in the cooling Red Sea breeze.

Within the terminal, which officials say is the world's largest covered site at over 150 acres, are facilities to handle passengers from 36 wide-bodied jets on the apron at any time, shops, cafeterias, banks and clinics.

The airport reckons to be able to get a pilgrim from aircraft to Mecca-bound bus in three hours, even at the height of the pilgrimage.

Departures, however, may be less smooth. Many pilgrims go on a shopping spree, then find their chartered airliner cannot carry their excess baggage, for which other arrangements have to be made.

At least 620,000 pilgrims arrive by air, and others come by sea or road. They are shown a 15-minute film with instructions in seven languages on basic health and hygiene measures, and checks on inoculation documents are rigorous.

Pilgrims are being warned to avoid the sun when possible from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and their own governments have been asked to see that they carry salt tablets.

A total of 40 heat stroke centres have been provided for Mecca and the holy places and the health ministry has bought two 52-bed mobile hospitals. (Reuters News Service)

## A quandary in Chad

By DONALD FORBES / Paris

LIBYA'S REPORTED tank advance in Chad and the possibility of a new outburst of desert fighting threaten to wreck a delicate French peace strategy.

French policy since the 17-year Chad civil war resumed two months ago has been to negotiate a withdrawal of forces sent by Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi to support Chadian rebels.

In the last two weeks, France has deployed a powerful force of up to 3,000 paratroops and Jaguar aircraft in Chad to protect President Hissene Habre and to try to deter further fighting.

At the same time, French President Francois Mitterrand has sent special envoys to Libya and to the Organization of African Unity to press for a diplomatic solution.

Informed sources said the effort was in danger of crumbling as a result of increasing military pressure from both Gaddafi and Habre, who wants to recapture the rebel-held north.

France's position was further complicated when President Reagan withdrew two AWACS radar planes from the region because of a quarrel with Mitterrand over their presence.

Mitterrand told the first cabinet meeting since the French force was despatched that his objective was a negotiated settlement under the aegis of the OAU. Both Chad and Libya are OAU members.

Maurice Faure, a senior French political figure now discussing the crisis with the OAU in Ethiopia, said France did not intend to become involved in fighting in Chad.

Government policy remains that the paratroops have been sent as instructors but can defend themselves if attacked.

Political sources said, however, that the rapidly heightening military tension and the volatile temperaments of Gaddafi and Habre could still thrust France into a direct military role.

CHAD's information minister, Mahamat Soumaila, says that 100 tanks are stationed 300km north of Salal, where French troops have been deployed to halt an advance

on the capital, N'djamena. "Everything shows that the Libyans are ready to attack our positions at Salal," he says.

Military sources say a Libyan attack on the desert post would be daring since it was within range of French Jaguars, but beyond the operational limits of the Libyan Air Force.

Soumaila has also signalled that Chad wants to launch an offensive to recapture the north and would count on French help.

Habre's army, sources say, would be unlikely to defeat the combined weight of the Libyans and rebel forces led by former Chad president Goukouni Oueddei without French aid.

A crucial issue at stake is the credibility of France's treaty commitments to defend its pro-Western former colonies.

Moderate African leaders have told Paris they fear Libyan interference. These fears were underlined by a pro-Libyan coup in Upper Volta earlier this month. Having backed Habre and promised to safeguard Chad's sovereignty, France will find it difficult to allow him to suffer defeat if Gaddafi opts for further fighting.

Despite denials from Paris that its paratroops would fight, political sources noted Habre's requests for aid had so far been met in full, although with delay and some reluctance.

A powerful bar to the direct involvement of French troops would be the inevitable political outcry from within Mitterrand's ruling Socialist Party and from its Communist allies.

Centrist and right-wing opposition parties have endorsed the sending of the deterrent force and have criticized the president only for delaying France's response to Habre's appeals for help.

THE RESPONSE in government ranks has been more ambiguous, with left-wing Socialists perturbed that France risked Third World accusations of indulging in a colonial-type adventure.

The Communist Party, although mainly critical of the U.S., which is also aiding Habre, says it is

"worried France will get stuck in the sands of the Chadian desert."

Appraisal of government policy, which has evolved almost entirely without public scrutiny, has been affected by the fact that most of France and its politicians are on holiday.

This could change rapidly, particularly if Habre continues to press for direct French military action, political sources say.

Central to the government's aim of a negotiated settlement is its desire for a final end to the civil war, which has forced France to intervene militarily in Chad before.

Analysis says this implies finding an acceptable alternative leader instead of either Habre or Goukouni, who was ousted as president by Habre after fighting last year.

THE NEWSPAPER *Liberation* has said that the latest fighting stemmed from a refusal by France, in secret negotiations with Libya, to allow Habre to be unseated.

Black African states fear the installation of a pro-Libyan replacement might further Gaddafi's alleged ambition to use Chad as a base to meddle in Africa on behalf of Moscow.

The conflict has brought traditionally prickly relations between France and the U.S. to a low ebb.

Political sources say Reagan's decision to withdraw U.S. AWACS from the region was a calculated snub to Mitterrand, who complained earlier that he was not told before they were sent.

Paris and Washington have quarrelled publicly over strategy in Chad, with Mitterrand expressing irritation over alleged U.S. pressure for France to intervene more decisively.

The pro-government newspaper *Le Matin* has said that Reagan "has given an extraordinary gift to Colonel Gaddafi, his greatest enemy."

Without the cover of the surveillance planes, the French force could find itself in a position of "flagrant inferiority" against Libyan tanks and air raids, *Le Matin* said. (Reuters)

## USELESS DIPLOMAS

By EMIL ANIL / Ankara

OMER CIFT, 33, runs a thriving video cassette, lending business in the glittering new Kugulu shopping mall in the Turkish capital.

A year ago he quit his job as a pharmacist in the city social security hospital. He says he has not looked back since.

"I feel sorry for the five years I wasted in university to get my diploma," he says, shaking his head. Cift, and many of his friends, are part of a growing army of university-educated Turks who have tossed aside their diplomas to seek a better living elsewhere. Thousands trained as architects, mathematicians, geologists, archeologists or economists are selling lottery tickets, running hamburger joints or working as garage mechanics.

Next door to Cift's video shop is a children's boutique owned by Turgay Ucaner, a 35-year-old lawyer. Another neighbor is Ilker Ayalay, an economist selling women's clothing.

Cift's chief rival in the video business is another economist, and across the way from Cift, an architect and her city planner husband ran one of Ankara's most popular gift shops.

"More than half the shopkeepers in this mall have university educations, as do the manufacturers they buy from," Cift explains. "Notice the improved quality of toys and even the window dressing. Education does make a difference."

THE DILEMMA many of these well-educated Turks face is that the educational system has been unable to project and adjust to future demands of the job market and economy.

There are few vocational schools in this land of 47 million, so most youngsters go through a college preparatory course in high school and then line up to try to get into already-crowded universities.

University applications swelled from 41,000 in 1966 to a peak of 467,000 in 1980. To cope with the stampede, successive governments opened new universities in remote provinces and the number jumped from four universities three decades ago to 27 today.

Only four per cent of Turkey's adult population of 540,000 boast university diplomas, but company executives complain that those coming out of the new schools are educated in the wrong fields, or are poorly prepared.

Critics say that in the hurry to boost admissions, education officials gave too little attention to the quality of teaching staffs, and some schools got large departments in fields that were inexpensive to set up — even though there was little prospect that specialists in those fields could later find jobs.

One result was that a central placement system would send some students who wanted to be doctors to agro-economy schools. Others, aspiring to be electrical engineers, ended up studying anthropology.

According to Professor Turhan Oguzkan of Bogazici university, "Failure to regulate student flow into needed technical and vocational education led to a severe shortage of qualified personnel at middle-level jobs."

THE BEST students have little trouble finding jobs. They are grabbed by large corporations soon after graduation. But many of the rest remain jobless, or end up working in

positions outside their fields.

Others leave their jobs because this is a time of national austerity, and wage restraint means that salaries in some professions hardly meet the grocery bill. Says math teacher Ramazan Ersal: "If I went back to teaching now, I would be making 30,000 lira (\$130) a month, not nearly enough to support my family." Instead, he sells eggs at the local market place.

This preference for a small business instead of a white-collar job also points to significantly altered social values. Turks have always valued education as the surest way to climb the social ladder. Since Ottoman days, they have either tilled the land or sought a bureaucratic position through education, leaving the "lowly" task of commerce to Greek, Jewish and Armenian minorities.

For the urban Turk, higher education has also been a status symbol. Graduates still serve as officers when the time for compulsory military service comes, and a prospective groom's educational level was a significant factor to be considered when he sought a bride.

But in the past year, applications to universities have declined by nine per cent.

"Why strive for a university education? I do not have one, not single person in my family has one," declares Saffet Ulusoy, a transportation magnate.

(The Associated Press)

## The shape of the future

A COUPLE of years ago, I asked Prime Minister Begin how he would like to be described in the history books. (I was going to ask him what he wanted as an epitaph when he died, but we heart attack victims develop a certain delicacy of approach.)

The prime minister answered immediately that he would like history to record him as "the man who set the borders of Eretz Yisrael for all eternity."

Well, I don't know about "all eternity," but within any time reference more comprehensible to mortal man, Mr. Begin is very likely to achieve his aim. Indeed, there are many experts — Jerusalem's one-time deputy mayor Meiron Benvenisti is a prominent and early example — who believe that the expansion of the State of Israel to include the West Bank is already an irreversible reality, and that unless the prime minister aims at an Eretz Yisrael on both sides of the Jordan River, he can even now rest on his laurels.

Mr. Begin's achievement (perhaps that word should be put in quotation marks to indicate an editorial viewpoint) is enormous. Nor is the credit ("credit"? due to

him in any way diminished by the fact that he has had considerable assistance from various quarters — from the Arab states, the PLO, the Palestinian leadership in the occupied areas, the American administration ("Dismantling the Israeli settlements in the West Bank is impracticable" says the State Department and President Reagan says the settlements "are not illegal"). And, of course, help has come from Gosh Emunim and from a sizeable proportion of the Israeli public.

One ought also to mention the assistance provided, however inadvertently, by the incompetence and impotence of the parliamentary opposition. The hallmark of Mr. Begin's political genius — like that of all political geniuses — is the ability to assess and to take advantage of all opportunities.

I DON'T KNOW whether, in the context of this subject, the time is five minutes to midnight, or five minutes past; but it sure ain't bright daylight for those of us who are appalled by the prime minister's vision.

In any event, whether the new state on the way" has already

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arrived, or is still — however imminently — within the womb of the future, it is essential to know the shape and the substance of the "creation," intended or actual.

This has been set forth succinctly by the single man now most critically placed to describe and determine that shape and substance.

In a remarkable interview published last month in the *Los Angeles Times*, which attracted little attention here, Defence Minister Moshe Arens said:

"I would say that the tendency of trying to build a state where the entire population is pure racially or religiously or nationally has pretty much gone out of fashion in the Western world — and I'm not sure it's something we want to cling to. Building a pluralistic society in this part of the world with Jews and Arabs is not easy, but I think it's something we have to do and can do. I would think that when Israeli sovereignty is extended over Judea and Samaria, and I think eventually it will be extended... you have to give the residents the option of becoming Israeli citizens."

THAT SOUNDS nice. It may even

work out fine from Mr. Arens' point of view, particularly if the West Bank Palestinian leaders continue to be as stupid and/or as craven as they appear.

That bit about the Palestinians having "the option of becoming Israeli citizens" sounds good. It has a "democratic" resonance — everybody can vote. That's fine. On the basis of past experience, one may reasonably assume — as Mr. Arens and his colleagues undoubtedly do assume — that the Palestinians will reject the "option" offered. That's even better. For if they do that, why then they are doing what they have always done — rejecting compromise. And who, then, is it? Not us.

But what if they take up the option? What if the West Bank Palestinians do become Israeli citizens, and join with those other "Palestinian Arabs" who are already Israeli citizens, and vote?

Why then, they elect 30 or more members of the Knesset, and these MKs join with part of the Jewish parliamentary opposition and then what you have is not Mr. Arens' "pluralistic society," but a bi-national state.

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# Sports

## Swimming records go, go, go

ROME (Reuters). — West German Michael Gross shattered his second world record of the week when he won his fourth gold medal at the European swimming championships in Rome on Friday.

The 19-year-old Frankfurt schoolboy, who had broken the 200 metres freestyle world mark on Monday, destroyed the two-year-old 200 metres butterfly record of American Craig Beardley in tremendous style.

The lanky West German led from start to finish to clock 1:57.05 and better the 1:58.01 mark set by Beardley in Kiev in 1981.

Gross, who also anchored West Germany to a 4 x 200 metres freestyle relay world record this week, won by more than two seconds from Soviet Olympic champion Sergei Fesenko.

Gross also won the 100 metres butterfly, equaling his own European record of 54.00 seconds, and has proved the most exciting swimmer of these 16th European championships.

The East German women continued their phenomenal performances when they broke their own world record in the 4 x 100 metres medley relay with a time of 4:05.79 which shaved 0.09 seconds from the mark they set in Ecuador, last year.

Ina Kleber, Ute Geweniger, Ines Geissler and Birgit Meincke were the quartet who set the new best.

The Soviet Union's squad won the men's water polo championship, after compiling 12 points in seven days of competition. Hungary was second with 11 points with Spalto third, Yugoslavia fourth and West Germany fifth.

In Tokyo, American Steve Lundquist established a world record in the men's 100-metre breaststroke, Canada won two gold medals and Japan one on the first day of a two-day international meet.

Lundquist, 22, won the event in 1:02.45, which was 0.08 seconds faster than his old mark of 1:02.53 set in August 1982. Lundquist had already set a better world time of 1:02.28 in the same event at the Pan American Games at Caracas last week. That time is up for official recognition.

## Four fine performances



Yoram Kochavi, powering his way through the pool.

By PAUL KOHN  
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Two Maccabi Tel Aviv men swimmers, Amir Ganiel and Yoram Kochavi, established new records during the first two days of the 1983 National Swimming Championships at the Wingate Institute in Netanya.

The Maccabi Tel Aviv men's 4 x 100 m. medley relay team set a new national mark, as did the Kibbutz "Geshem" team in the parallel women's events.

Ganiel, 21, broke his own previous record swimming in the first leg of the 200 metres freestyle relay, timing 1 minute 54.28 seconds. Kochavi broke Ron Kehrman's record in the 200m. individual medley with a time of 2 mins. 09.46 seconds.

Maccabi Tel Aviv's quartet of Ganiel, Roy Amizur, Kuchavi and Nir Daniel swam to a new best in 4 minutes 00.00 seconds.

The Geshem squad of Lior Birkan (son of Givat Haim, Ofra Nissim, Anat Edvi and Aya Kopolovitch) timed 4:02.92 minutes in their medley relay.

In addition to the four new national marks, Hador Rubinstein, aged 16, of Maccabi Kiryat Ono won three gold medals — 100 m. freestyle in 1:01.45 mins., 200m. butterfly in 2:25.13 mins. and 400m. freestyle in 4:31.68 minutes.

Lior Birkan took also two individual titles in the 200m. medley in 2:32.69 minutes and the 100m. backstroke in 1:09.96 minutes.

Shamir of Givat Haim won the 100m. freestyle in 53.23 seconds. Eyal Stegman, of Erez Jezreel, won the 100m. breaststroke in 1:06.86 and Amir Ganiel took the 400m. freestyle in 4:03.34 minutes.

The surprise result during the first half of the gala — which goes on today and tomorrow — was the win of Tal Meshkef, 16, of Maccabi Haifa in the 100m. backstroke. He timed 1:02.36 minutes.

## Drug row smoulders on

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP). — Three more athletes have been tested positively for drugs, this time stimulants instead of steroids, the scientist who helped develop the drug testing procedures used at the IX Pan American Games said on Friday.

Dr. Manfred Donike, of West Germany, told newsmen that since the Games began almost two weeks ago, 15 urine samples had tested positive for substances officially banned for use by athletes.

Twelve, he said, were for anabolic steroids and three for stimulants.

Twelve athletes — 11 weightlifters and a cyclist — have been disqualified so far for drug use.

Donike said that all the cases have been turned over to the national committees of the athletes involved for possible sanctions.

Tass news agency has meanwhile charged that the use of steroids to enhance performance is on the rise among U.S. athletes and complained such athletes are "violating the generally accepted international practice."

All doping tests at the first world athletics championships in Helsinki earlier this month proved negative, the International Amateur Athletics Federation has reported. 200 random tests were conducted throughout the seven days of the championships.

## Bird - unselfish superstar

By DON GOULD  
Post Basketball Reporter

Basketball fans throughout Israel are currently having an opportunity to see the greatest player ever to play the game. Boston Celtics' Larry Bird, here for a series of exhibition matches by the NBA All-Stars, is No. 1 in everyone's book.

Bird has everything it takes — size, speed, physical ability, brains and a burning desire to play well. On top of that, he has an almost unbelievably positive attitude towards winning.

Three weeks ago, Bird was awarded a \$10,000 Seagrams prize after being selected by computer as the best NBA player.

Surpassing even all that has been written about Bird's talent, the greatest compliment to this "perfect" basketball performer comes in the form of the unstinting unsolicited praise from his peers.

In a recent interview with Calvin Murphy, the conversation quickly turned to the special abilities of Larry Bird. Calvin was impressed, not only with Bird's special talent and dedication, but also with his extreme unselfishness on the court.

He pointed out that in a recent series when his team Houston were up against the Celtics, Bird contented himself with setting up double picks and screens for his teammates and with rebounding and assisting.

NEW YORK (Reuters). — French Open champion, Yannick Noah, the fourth seed, has a big question mark concerning his form after a two-month layoff as he prepares to start out in the U.S. Open tennis championships on Tuesday against American Scott Davis.

Noah's match is the first on court on an opening day when crowds will also see top-seeded John McEnroe and defending champion Jimmy Connors, the third seed, in action. Second-seeded Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia begins his challenge on Wednesday.

Noah, 23, has moved steadily up the rankings the last four years and hopes to improve on his fourth-round showing here last year. If he beats Davis, a rising 21-year-old rated 82nd in the world, the big Frenchman may look ahead to a possible showdown against Lendl in the semifinals.

But Noah showed last week that he may be far from ready for the occasion. After sitting out a six-week suspension imposed by the men's tennis council for missing a match at a tournament earlier this year, Noah was forced to spend another two weeks resting because of a knee injury.

He returned to competition as the top seed in a men's event at Jericho, last week and was beaten in his first match by Brian Gottfried. He served poorly, was foot-faulted five times and rarely showed any of his best form. "It showed I'm not ready," Noah conceded afterwards, while Patrice Hagelauer, the French Davis Cup coach, added: "Being out so long makes a player lose confidence. He has to start again."

McEnroe, meanwhile, will be trying to regain the title he won three years in succession before he lost to Lendl in the semi-finals a year ago. McEnroe, who regained his Wimbledon title this year, begins his quest for the \$120,000 first prize against compatriot Trey Waltke, who is ranked 130th.

Connors, 30, beat Lendl in last year's final and will launch his campaign for a fifth U.S. Open title

## Incredible leap by Soviet woman

PISA (AP). — Tamara Bykova of the Soviet Union, four days after tying for the world high jump record, shattered the women's mark with a sensational leap of 2.04 metres late on Thursday night at an international track and field meet here.

The 25-year-old Russian thus snatched away the record from arch rival Ulrike Meyfarth of West Germany, who won the gold last Sunday at the European Cup event in London. Then both women passed the 2.03m. mark but Meyfarth finished first because she cleared the height on her first jump and Bykova needed two attempts.

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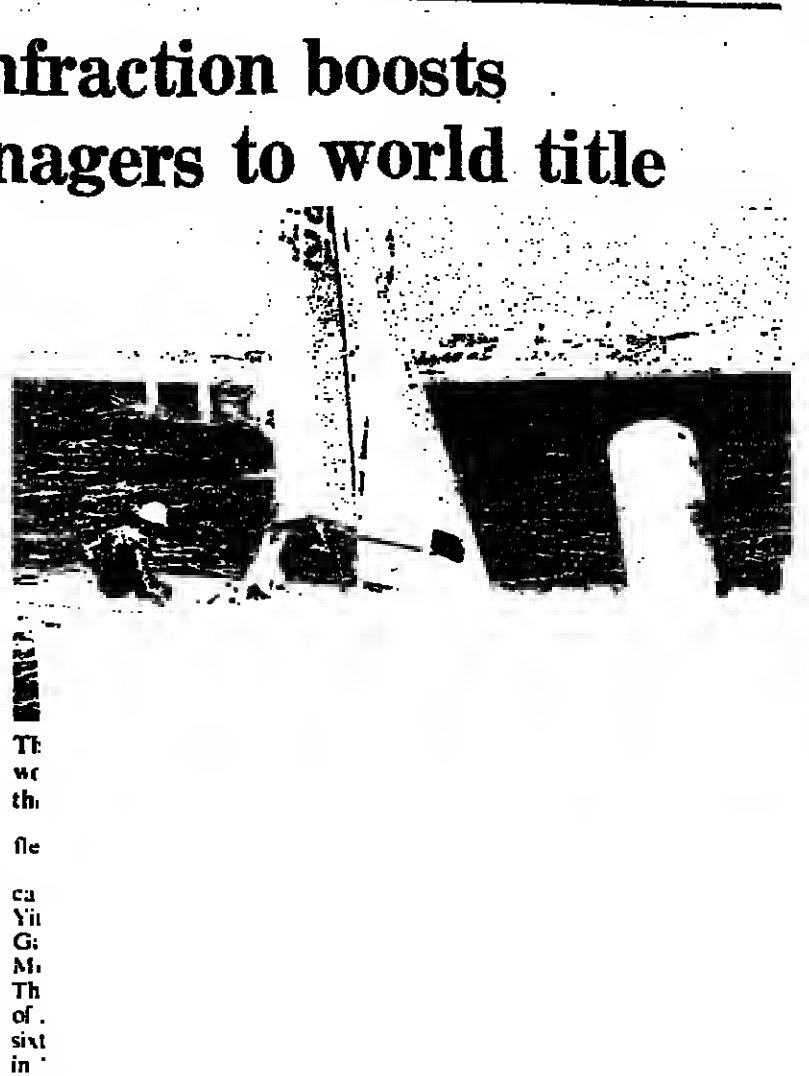
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## English soccer off to bright start

LONDON (Reuters). — Charlie Nicholas, the most talked about arrival in England since Julius Caesar landed on these shores in 55 BCE, made his long-awaited debut in the famous red and white shirt of Arsenal yesterday. And although he did not get his name on the scoreboard in the 2-1 win over Luton, the £750,000 striker looked every inch the new "emperor" of English soccer.

Nicholas, 21, top scorer in Britain with Glasgow Celtic last season, was involved in the Arsenal opener and his every touch of the ball spelled danger for Luton and brought roars of approval from the Highbury terraces.

Arsenal went ahead in the 22nd minute when Nicholas released England fullback Kenny Sansom down the left with a cheeky backheel. Sansom switched the ball inside to Paul Davis who swept a superb cross into the box where Tony Woodcock rose above the Luton defence to send a powerful header high into the net.

The visitors hit back through Paul Walsh five minutes before the interval but little Brian McDermott gave Nicholas a day to remember with a superb winner early in the second half.

It was not such a satisfactory afternoon for another "new boy," Liverpool's 61-year-old manager Joe Fagan.

Fagan, who took over from Bob Paisley earlier this summer, watched helplessly from the dugout as the champions struggled to an

embarrassing 1-1 draw at newly-promoted Wolverhampton.

Liverpool, chasing the title for the seventh "time" in 10 years, fell behind to first goal of the season when Wolves fullback Geoff Palmer sparked off the new season in sensational style, slotting home a penalty after just 80 seconds. But "super-striker" Ian Rush spared their blushes one minute after the interval when he took a pass from captain Graeme Souness to crash home a tremendous equalizer.

Dutchman Arnold Muhren was Manchester United's hero. He opened the scoring with an eighth minute penalty against Queens Park Rangers and created the opening for Frank Stapleton to add the second in the 27th minute as United, highly fancied for the title, got away to a competent start.

Although Rangers reduced the deficit through Paul Allen 10 minutes into the second half, Muhren made it 3-1 with a superb individual effort.

The goalscoring hero of the opening day was Trevor Christie, the big Notts County striker. He banged in three as County slaughtered Leicester 4-0 at Leicester. The fans turned out by the thousand in sweltering summer weather. Those at Birmingham's Villa Park cheered themselves hoarse as Villa edged local neighbours West Brom 4-3 after the teams had shared six goals in the first half.

In all, the opening day of the season produced 37 First Division goals compared to 27 on the same Saturday last year.

Watford, runners-up to Liverpool last season, must already be regretting top-scorer Luther Blissett's \$1.5 million transfer to A.C. Milan in Italy. They crashed to a 3-2 home defeat against Coventry whose fans had difficulty in recognising their team.

New manager Bobby Gould sold nine players and bought 10 during the close season but it was two men he did not sign who gave Coventry an early, and decisive, 2-0 lead — Watford's Ian Bolton and Pat Rice both had the misfortune to score own goals.

Tottenham manager Keith Burkinshaw spent £600,000 on Danny Thomas and Gary Stevens to bolster his suspect defence during the summer break. But that failed to cure Spurs' old defensive failings.



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## Struggle for power

By SHEVAH WEISS

affect the election results and to be affected by them:

□ Candidates who are already acting heads of local authorities have a clear advantage over newcomers. In the 1978 elections, all the acting heads of local authorities who ran were returned with one exception, the mayor of Afula, Teddy Kollek. Shlomo Lahat, Arye Gurel, David Magen, Meir Shitrit, Yisrael Peled, Eliahu Navi and all the others have a clear advantage. Knesset members Jacques Amir and Aharon Nahmias were prevented from running again for the mayorships of Dimona and Safad respectively due to the new Labour Party rule excluding dual service. Thus the Labour Alignment is risking the loss of two "safe" municipalities.

□ In areas where only new candidates will be in the running, those who have established a local reputation through service on a regional council, or municipal or local workers' councils, will have an ad-

vantage over less known rivals.

□ In general, party candidates have a clear advantage over independents, except in communities with a strong "local" tradition. Such a tradition usually exists where a personality has already served (frequently as a party representative) as head of the local authority and then chosen to run as an independent. New independents do not have the same chances to succeed.

□ Election propaganda has little effect on election results, which leads one to conclude that a lot of money could be saved if the various parties and personalities involved could agree to limit both the length of the campaign and the propaganda itself.

□ In a few dozen locations, without doubt, no one candidate will receive a clear victory in the first round of voting. In the second round, parties such as the National Religious Party are likely to win because of their coalitionability.

□ The Labour Alignment is liable to be defeated in four or five local

authorities in view of the failure of local branches to maintain interpersonal relations and ideological fervour and because of the absence of any measure of solidarity among activists. The Likud is likely to lose three to four local authorities for the same reasons.

□ The results in the local elections are likely to have a major influence on the timing of the elections for the 11th Knesset. Substantial gains for the Likud in the local elections will encourage it to initiate early elections, and maybe even to offer the NRP that the two parties go to the polls as a single list. This would give the NRP "umbrella insurance" against losing any additional seats in the next Knesset.

Should the Alignment be the victor in local elections, the Labour Party can be depended on to try to bring about early elections, though then the Likud will be most unlikely to cooperate. In this case, whether elections will be held before

November 1985 depends on the attitude of the small parties.

LISTS for the local elections must be presented no later than September 19. Undoubtedly, the Labour Alignment has a great interest in strengthening its position on the local level as a means to increase its prestige on the national level. Unfortunately, there are barriers — some formalistic, some sectarian and some petty — that in many cases prevent the best people from being selected as candidates. I have already mentioned the foolish rule that prevents Labour members of Knesset from running for local authorities in which they are extremely popular.

Local squabbles and group-interests could lead the Alignment to defeat in several localities, and certainly the party should act to stop this from happening. A movement that loses its existentialist instincts even on the local level, or perhaps especially on the local level, has no chances of rehabilitating itself sufficiently to return to power on the national level. A movement incapable of concentrating on what is really important will end up by integrating over trivialities.

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THIS OCTOBER 25, local elections will be held in Israel. In some 150 local authorities, several scores of lists and individuals will be contesting the leadership in regional councils and municipalities, and for places on their councils. Thousands of persons, both experienced activists and greenhorns, are already struggling for places in the contesting lists.

Some 600 local papers will soon start to feed the local campaigns with plenty of gossip-political information concerning the local brews. The common Israeli is *Homo Politicus*, a species inclined to drama, and we can expect a wave of local mainstream news and back alley stories.

Nevertheless, the relatively little commotion so far around the elections seems to indicate that they are quite irrelevant, as far as the general public is concerned. Since the public is more concerned with subjects on the national agenda — the economic situation and the government's new economic moves, Israel's continued presence in Lebanon, tension between the religious and the secular, tension in the occupied territories, etc. — these issues can be expected to seep into local campaigns.

Past experience shows that the following factors are most likely to

EVER SINCE our duly elected economic policy makers woke up one bright and recent morning and, in a collective flash of insight, decided that Israel had changed miraculously that same night from a "rich have" to a "poor have-not" country, we have been mulling over solutions which would not lower the standards of living of orphans, widows, cripples and those thousands living on meagre social security benefits.

The latter, unfortunately, are convenient victims of governmental planning. Their ability to fight back is strictly limited. Moreover, should their income be reduced, this will not show up in the cost-of-living index, and thereby fan the inflationary spiral.

These unfortunates are an entirely different category from retired army officers, and those middle-aged persons who laboriously accumulated a provident fund to stretch their meagre pensions — instead of living it up by going abroad, buying new cars or videos.

The retired army officers can always be expected to put up a stiff fight against having their pensions taxed if their performance on the battlefield is the criterion. And the

middle-aged who thought far ahead about their declining years will continue to do so. They will find ways and means of preserving the value of their savings, probably by tanking these funds, or others, underground.

WE HAVE two simple solutions. Neither will have any effect on the index.

The first is simply to enforce traffic regulations. Anyone driving through Tel Aviv will notice not hundreds, but literally thousands, of cars, illegally parked and doubled-parked in so-called "no stop, high fine, tow-away" areas, as well as on side-walks, at pedestrian crossings, every place except one atop another. (We once heard of a patent which would have made this possible but it never caught on.)

If those able-bodied pensioners with nothing to do were asked to

become "volunteer policemen", they could easily collect thousands of shekels an hour for the state. And if they were given one-tenth of the fines as pay, they would be able to double and triple their income by working a few hours a day.

And thus, the country's "have-nots" would help balance the national budget while the country's "haves" — at least they have enough to buy new cars — would pay a tidy sum for the convenience of illegal parking. And in the present state of affluence in Israel, we doubt this source of income will dry up. Few persons would walk a hundred metres to find a legal parking place if they can park illegally for about \$20.

Income from illegal parking is not to be sneezed at. If each ticket is \$20 (about IS1,200) and 3,000 to 4,000 tickets are given out daily, except Saturdays and holidays, we will have an annual income of about

\$20m. Some 800,000 Israelis paying \$100 as a travel tax will only bring in five times that much.

And these "volunteer policemen" will not deprive the regular police of their livelihood. The latter have already graded parking violations so low on their schedule of priorities that they rarely give out parking tickets.

And if the law was enforced in such matters as speeding, tailgating, reckless driving, the income could approach \$80m. — and save scores of lives.

THE SECOND solution is hitting the underground economy.

Estimates of its size range from one-third of the GNP to 12-14 per cent. But if we assume that it is only 10 per cent, and that this sum can actually be collected, then it will solve all the government's pressing financial problems.

But how can this subterranean

stream of money be taxed? The Income Tax Department says it is doing its best, alternately raiding doctors engaged in private practice and fiefdom stands. But this only brings in a trickle of money.

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## Singular solutions

By MACABEE DEAN

middle-aged who thought far ahead about their declining years will continue to do so. They will find ways and means of preserving the value of their savings, probably by tanking these funds, or others, underground.

WE HAVE two simple solutions. Neither will have any effect on the index.

The first is simply to enforce traffic regulations. Anyone driving through Tel Aviv will notice not hundreds, but literally thousands, of cars, illegally parked and doubled-parked in so-called "no stop, high fine, tow-away" areas, as well as on side-walks, at pedestrian crossings, every place except one atop another. (We once heard of a patent which would have made this possible but it never caught on.)

If those able-bodied pensioners with nothing to do were asked to

become "volunteer policemen", they could easily collect thousands of shekels an hour for the state. And if they were given one-tenth of the fines as pay, they would be able to double and triple their income by working a few hours a day.

And thus, the country's "have-nots" would help balance the national budget while the country's "haves" — at least they have enough to buy new cars — would pay a tidy sum for the convenience of illegal parking. And in the present state of affluence in Israel, we doubt this source of income will dry up. Few persons would walk a hundred metres to find a legal parking place if they can park illegally for about \$20.

Income from illegal parking is not to be sneezed at. If each ticket is \$20 (about IS1,200) and 3,000 to 4,000 tickets are given out daily, except Saturdays and holidays, we will have an annual income of about

\$20m. Some 800,000 Israelis paying \$100 as a travel tax will only bring in five times that much.

And these "volunteer policemen" will not deprive the regular police of their livelihood. The latter have already graded parking violations so low on their schedule of priorities that they rarely give out parking tickets.

And if the law was enforced in such matters as speeding, tailgating, reckless driving, the income could approach \$80m. — and save scores of lives.

THE SECOND solution is hitting the underground economy.

Estimates of its size range from one-third of the GNP to 12-14 per cent. But if we assume that it is only 10 per cent, and that this sum can actually be collected, then it will solve all the government's pressing financial problems.

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### READERS' LETTERS

#### A PLEA FOR TOLERANCE IN JERUSALEM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — The Jew who has for millennia been the endless target of intolerance bears a singular responsibility for rooting it out whenever and wherever it rears its ugly head, especially in the sacred soil of Jerusalem.

A basic tenet of Judaism is involved. Jews succumbed in their thousands and millions through the dark centuries for the right of personal belief, and their sacred duty to uphold it. In the process, they have sacrificed themselves repeatedly for all those — of whatever creed and race — who still cherished independence of mind and freedom from mental and spiritual coercion.

How historically absurd, therefore, that a rabbi should become the agent provocateur for those who snoop to criticize a great mayor because he aspires to unify his city under the banner of tolerance (Letters about the Beit Shalom controversy — August 11). They would prefer to label his sensitivity and concern for all his citizens as weakness, and resent his courage to truly represent the communal spirit of a holy city. Surely Teddy Kollek is worthy of much more wholehearted sympathy and support from all of us who are no less indifferent to the spiritual and ethical, than to the commercial and so-called practical values of the city.

There was a time when another such man, Norman Bentwich, was being falsely smeared by his own people with anti-Semitic motivation on the grounds that his regulation (under the name of Storr's) insisting that all building be of expensive stone or faced by stone, blocked the natural growth of Jerusalem. In that context, and in other preventive environmental rulings, he has well illustrated how one man is capable of preserving the beauty of a city.

Teddy joins him in this historic distinction as another citizen who has single-handedly served to create beauty afresh as well as restoring it both within and outside the ancient walls of a city he knows to belong to all eternity. But the implementation of such practical aesthetic tasks must not be allowed to diminish his even more crucial achievements in highlighting broader spiritual matters and in trying to engender an environment dependably affording realistic sympathy, help and encouragement to all the friends of his town, whatever their race or religion.

But when some of us so abysmally fail him, as has been only too apparent recently, we all of us must somehow make amends, and somehow give effective expression to our apologies not only to him, but to all our Christian friends. Again we have failed to prevent them becoming the butt of intolerant excesses from our extremist fringe, sadly growing in number and puerile conductivity. We should have

the guts to stand up and condemn these fanatics for their crude lunacies in contradiction of the basic truths for which Judaism stands, whether they be the shameful outbursts which ruined a fine concert by eminent Mormon visitors, or the Goiding ineffectment of neighbourhood hostility to a Beth Shalom home in Gilo.

It is our duty to defend these sincere Christian friends and help shield them from false allegations of missionary motives. We must also give full recognition to their warmly constructive pro-Israeli fervour.

The Christian groups have also expressed their sincere involvement in our wellbeing, apart from our mutual aims towards biblical fulfilment, through support in practical humane terms to hospitals and other sorely-needed socio-medical ventures for young and old. In particular, we owe a growing debt of gratitude to that remarkable communion of wonderful supporters in the International Christian Embassy.

How reassuring for us to know that this remarkable and unique Jerusalem Embassy is now backed by a chain of over 60 enthusiastic "consulates" in every corner of the globe and that almost 6,000 of their devoted members will soon be making a pilgrimage to this great city to manifest their love of it and of all Israel.

We must not leave their welcome to our Christian colleagues, or to our outstanding mayor, but rally warmly to their support throughout all the events of their stay with us.

Prof. ALEXANDER RUSSELL  
Jerusalem.

#### TAXING STOCK EXCHANGE PROFITS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — It is common knowledge in Israel that the quickest way to make money, and not pay an agora in taxes, is to play the stock market. It is incredible that a time when the government is scrupulously for ways to raise money, it has consistently rejected taxing profits made on the bourse. Apparently, it is better to tax the old and the poor who have little way to object than to risk the displeasure of the profiteers who have a great deal of political clout.

The problem is not unique to the Begin government. The so-called socialist governments which preceded it also rejected the concept of taxing the rich.

It is argued that such a move would have adverse effect upon the stock market. Possibly. But in every western country, such a tax is levied in the form of income tax. The market might slump for a while, but it would recover. Does the country have to hit rock bottom before it reverses its policy?

ELIEZER WHARTMAN  
Jerusalem.

#### INVESTMENT YIELD

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — In your issue of August 2, your correspondent Mr. Brandman takes issue with the statement to your column "Your money and your questions" that \$50,000 invested in Israeli bank shares, would, on the basis of past experience, yield a real return of \$12,000, per year. Mr. Brandman, an actuary, is clearly basing his objection on the "Efficient Market theory." This is a thoroughly tested hypothesis from which it is concluded that the prices in the major stock markets of the world move in a random and therefore unpredictable way. This, it is explained, is because all the available information is known to a large number of expert participants and new information is instantly assimilated by them. Moreover, as in, say, a game of roulette, the past is no guide to the future.

However, in this matter, at least, Israel is not a country like any other. As Mr. Plaut of the Technion mildly put it in your issue of May 19 ("Basics of the bourse"), "there may be some non-random patterns in stock prices." For the more intuitively-inclined here are the returns in dollar terms on Bank Leumi stock since 1975:

1976	30.7%
1977	11.3%
1978	23.1%
1979	10.0%
1980	49.8%
1981	35.3%
1982	20.7%
1983	37.7% (annualised).

I quote Leumi because I have the figures to hand. I believe the records of Hapoalim and I.D.B. (Discount Group) to be similar. All three openly declare their support for their share prices, something not done in other stock markets and definitely a departure from the conditions under which the Efficient Market theory may be expected to hold good.

The policy has brought us to the point at which the market capitalisations of the big three of Tel Aviv — Hapoalim, \$2.4 billion, Leumi, \$2.2 billion, I.D.B., \$1.1 billion — are valued at close to the capitalisations of the big two of New York, namely Citicorp, \$4.7 billion and Chase, \$1.6 billion. Without knowing where the banks obtain the funds from which they conduct their support operations, it is impossible to comment further. Clearly, however, the scale is considerably greater than in the past.

MICHAEL SCHEINER,  
Associate of Society of  
Investment Analysts, London.  
Tel Aviv.

#### BUDGET CUTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — Is anyone talking about cuts in the allocations to yeshivot? The country be damned! Long live the coalition!

ETI MLINARSKI  
Tel Aviv.

#### SEMANTIC TRAP

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — My blood pressure rises whenever The Jerusalem Post uses the name "West Bank" to describe what was always, even in the time of the Mandate, known by its correct historical name of Judea and Samaria.

I am similarly disturbed by your frequent, unqualified reference to the "Palestinians" and their supposed claims when, historically, there never was such a nation, nor even the requisite Palestine, a name originally confined to the biblical Peleshet (Philistia), but later widened by the Romans in a vain attempt to obliterate the Jewish claim to Eretz Yisrael. This Palestine virtually disappeared with the Romans, for later invaders blithely redrew the local map, carving the land into segments for inclusion in their wider administrative domains, without regard for any "Palestinian" configuration. Indeed, long after the establishment of the Mandate, Arab historians were still insisting that no Palestinian entity had ever existed in Arab history.

Modern Palestine emerged from the chrysalis of Eretz Yisrael when,

in response to Zionist hopes, the League of Nations reconstituted as Palestine a territory which had never existed as an integral national-territorial organism except within the framework of Jewish history.

Hence the terms "West Bank," "Palestine" and "Palestinian," as indeed east Palestine's artificial redefinition as (Trans) Jordan, are a semantic trap and Jews who adopt them yield to a stratagem reminiscent of that used by the Romans, which is blatantly designed to deprive Israel of its rightful inheritance and ultimately of its own legitimacy and existence.

S. GOODMAN  
Kingswinford, England.

#### PENFRIENDS

SANJAI HANNIBAL ROBERT (19), of Establishment Control Service, Ministry of Public Service, Cameroon, would like to correspond with Israelis between the ages of 18 and 25. He is interested in photography and the exchange of postcards.

### JORDAN KING

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result of messages sent to Washington by Richard Murphy, the designated-assistant secretary of state, reflecting his conversations with Arab leaders during his current visit to the region.

The government here was also aware that after George Shultz commented on the Israeli settlements in the areas earlier in the month, in an interview, in a manner which caused considerable satisfaction in Jerusalem, Arab leaders made their anger felt in Washington.

American diplomats, at the time, attempted to convince Israelis that in fact Shultz made no new departures but merely repeated or rephrased previous statements by the administration concerning the settlements. Arab governments got the same message and the same assurance that no new policy was being traced out, but apparently remained unconvinced.

Israel's embassy in Washington attempted to claim credit for having brought the State Department around to what it described as a more sympathetic position vis-a-vis the settlements in Judea and Samaria, just when American diplomats were telling the media that no new position existed.

### REAGAN

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ned over the negative effect that this activity has on Arab confidence in Israel's willingness to return territory in exchange for security and a freely and fairly negotiated peace treaty. The future of these settlements can only be dealt with through direct negotiations between the parties to the conflict. The sooner these negotiations begin, the greater the chance for a solution.

Reagan took the opportunity to re-emphasize that his administration is "firmly committed to the security of the State of Israel. We'll help Israel to defend itself against external aggression and at the same time the United States believes that permanent security for the people of Israel and for all the peoples of the region can only come with the achievement of a just and lasting peace, not by sole reliance on increasingly expensive military forces."

Reagan concluded by promising that the U.S. will be a full partner, doing everything it can to help create a just and lasting peace in the area. "Those complex issues can be resolved by creative and persistent diplomacy. Those risks can be overcome by people who want to end this bitter and tragic conflict," he said.

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